

St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS If you would like to receive our weekly email of events and services, please complete the Welcome Card located in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering tray or give it to one of the ushers. You are welcome to join us next door for coffee and fellowship following the service.

RECEIVING COMMUNION While only Orthodox Christians who have spiritually prepared themselves by fasting, prayer and confession may receive Holy Communion, all are welcome to venerate the Cross and receive the blessed bread at dismissal.

CELL PHONES and all other electronic devices should be shut off during Divine Liturgy.

BULLETIN DEADLINE To include information in the bulletin, please notify the Church Office by 9:00AM Wednesday at [OfficeOfStAnthony@gmail.com](mailto: OfficeOfStAnthony@gmail.com).

PRAYER REQUESTS To be included on the prayer list, or to join the parish prayer chain, please contact the Church Office.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

BREAD OF OBLATION is offered by Mark Enterline

COFFEE HOUR is sponsored by Hala Khoury, Suad Khoury and Deanna Khoury

MEMORIALS in memory of +Danielle Chaney, mother of our sister in Christ, Rachael Chaney, and +George Atallah Khoury, brother of our brothers in Christ Riad and Hanna Khoury, will follow today's Divine Liturgy. May their memory be eternal.

BLESSING OF THE GRAPES will follow today's Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Our Lord's Transfiguration.

MEDITERRANEAN NIGHT GALA TICKETS are on sale today in the narthex after Divine Liturgy.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS Please put donated food items in the hall in the box marked "Food".

DORMITION OF MARY This feast is preceded by a two-week fasting period (Aug. 1-14). During this time we fast as we would during Lent (abstain from meat, dairy, poultry, fish and wine). Check the schedule below and the August calendar for services pertaining to this blessed feast.

SCHEDULE OF THIS WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICES

Wednesday, August 8	6:30 p	Paraklesis <i>Prayer Service to the Mother of God</i>
Friday, August 10	12:00 p	Paraklesis <i>Prayer Service to the Mother of God</i>
Saturday, August 11	4:30 p 5:00 p	<i>Confession (or by appointment w/Fr. Anthony or Fr. John)</i> Great Vespers
Sunday, August 12	8:45 AM 10:00 AM	Orthros Divine Liturgy
Tuesday, August 14	6:30 p	<i>Divine Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos</i>

UPCOMING MEETING AND ACTIVITIES

NO CRAFTS FELLOWSHIP this Thursday, August 9th. Meetings will resume next Thursday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 p. For more information, contact Betsy Andjelich (281-414-3362) or email her at [BAndjelich@yahoo.com](mailto: BAndjelich@yahoo.com).

RESCHEDULED: PARISH COUNCIL will meet next Thursday, August 16th at 7:15 p.

DIVINE LITURGY FOR THE FEAST OF THE DORMITION will be served on Tuesday, August 14th, at 6:30 p.

YOU'RE INVITED to the wedding of Sean and Rachel on Saturday, August 18th at 3:00PM at St. Anthony. As they will be newly chrismated Orthodox Christians, they have requested your presence, their new St. Anthony parish family, to attend their wedding ceremony. No gifts please.

NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDITERRANEAN NIGHT GALA TICKETS are now on sale! Please see the insert in this bulletin for more information.

USHERS NEEDED! Please consider regular service as an usher for our church. For more information about this important ministry, email Mark Enterline at [menterline@gmail.com](mailto: menterline@gmail.com).

ORTHODOX YOUNG PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! This year, the OYPC will be held in Denver, CO from August 16-19. To register, go to www.oypc.org or email [oypc2018@gmail.com](mailto: oypc2018@gmail.com).

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT NEWS AND EVENTS

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK BLESSING will be on Sunday, August 19th. Father will offer a special prayer for students, teachers, and faculty for the upcoming school year at the end of Divine Liturgy. Students are encouraged to bring their backpacks to be blessed.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING is scheduled for Saturday, August 25th, from 10:30 AM to 2:00 p for all boys in 2nd grade or older. Contact Adella for more info or to RSVP.

ARABIC CLASSES AT THE ST. CONSTANTINE SCHOOL Grades 2nd through 12th are welcome to join in the Fall 2018 Semester. For more information, contact Miray Katrib at [info@saintconstantine.org](mailto: info@saintconstantine.org).

The following Astros Home Game tickets are being provided by a season ticket holder for \$150.00 (2 seats) per game with 100% of the ticket price being donated to the St. Anthony General Fund.
Contact Mark Yniguez at (832) 948-9977 if you are interested!

St. Anthony the Great Houston Astros Fundraiser 2 Seats: Section 106; Row 11; Seats 15-16		
Monday, August 27 th 7:10 pm	vs Oakland A's	AVAILABLE
Thursday, August 30 th 7:10 pm	vs Los Angeles Angels	AVAILABLE
Sunday, September 2 nd 7:05 pm	vs Los Angeles Angels	AVAILABLE
Tuesday, September 4 th 7:10 pm	vs Minnesota Twins	AVAILABLE
Saturday, September 15 th 6:10 pm	vs Arizona Diamond Backs	AVAILABLE
Sunday, September 16 th 1:10 pm	vs Arizona Diamond Backs	AVAILABLE
Monday, September 17 th 7:10 pm	vs Seattle Mariners	AVAILABLE
Saturday, September 22 nd 6:10 pm	vs Los Angeles Angels	SOLD

Tickets Now Available!

St. Anthony the Great
Orthodox Christian Church
invites you to its

12th Mediterranean Night Gala

Saturday, September 22, 2018

in the Grand Ballroom of
The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center
2301 N. Millbend Dr., The Woodlands, TX 77380

Cocktails and Appetizer Buffet (7:00 p.m.)
Seated Dinner (8:00 p.m.)
Live Band and D.J.
Silent Auction and Raffle

\$125/Ticket or Table Sponsor (10 people)

Table Sponsor: Sultan \$2,500 ~ Amir \$2,000 ~ Phares \$1,500

Tickets available at
www.stanthonythegreat.org

Or you may contact:

Church Office (281)251-6000
Randa Nassif (281)655-0070
Layal Saghbini (423)202-1464

All ticket sales end Sunday, September 16th, 2018

~ Formal Attire ~

12th Annual Mediterranean Night Gala

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Entertainment - Dinner & Dancing - Raffle

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To purchase your ticket or table, call the Church Office 281-251-6000

The success of this event over is due, in large part, by the generosity of our sponsors. If you or your company would like to help with sponsoring any or a portion of the items listed below, please contact the Chairperson, Stuart Lapp (stuartwapp@gmail.com), or call the Church Office.

ITEM TO BE SPONSORED	AMOUNT	STATUS
Flowers and Decorations	\$2,500.00	SPONSORED
Appetizers	\$2,000.00	SPONSORED
Music	\$2,000.00	
Entertainment	\$1,500.00	SPONSORED
Raffle Items	\$1,500.00	
Photo Booth	\$1,000.00	SPONSORED
Event Photography	\$1,000.00	
Program	\$500.00	SPONSORED

Sunday Brunch

Sponsored by MAM Ladies Society

August 19

Following Divine Liturgy

Adults \$10/Children \$5

Join us for Biscuits & Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrowns and Tortillas with your choice of toppings!

Food For Parish (FFP)

Please leave your donations in the hall in the box labelled "Pantry"

Non-Perishable Foods

Canned soups and fruits, tuna, chicken, cereals, crackers, flour, sugar, Jello, pudding, baked beans, chips & salsa, rice, pasta & pasta sauces (Other Gluten Free Items are also welcome!)

We are grateful to have received a donation of 4,000 canned vegetables, therefore we will NOT need any canned vegetables.

Perishable Foods

Milk, lactose-free milk, eggs, cheese, yogurt, sour cream, cottage cheese, salad mix, butter, bread, sausage, chicken, hamburger, hot dogs, lunch meats, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables

Drop Off Schedule

Sunday, August 12th – Non-perishables

Sunday, August 26th – Perishables

If you would like to help by asking the committee to fill the pantry, donations can be made out to MAM. Please note FFP in the memo. Any St. Anthony parishioner who is in need is invited to set a confidential appointment with our Church Secretary, Bonnie (281.251.6000) or Fr. Anthony for pickup.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact a committee member:

Eve Lapp (713) 825.0841, Theresa Allen (832) 335.2213

Betsy Andjelich, (281) 414.3362, or Barbara Maligas (281) 974.9629

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Entrance Hymn of the Transfiguration

For in Thee is the fountain of life, and in Thy light shall we see light. Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

Troparion of the Transfiguration (Tone 7)

When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.

Kontakion of the Transfiguration (Tone 7)

Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.

THE EPISTLE

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Peter. (1:10-19)

Brethren, be the more zealous to confirm your call and election, for if you do this you will never fall; so there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Therefore, I intend always to remind you of these things, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with Him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made surer. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:1-9)

At that time, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if Thou wilt, I will make three booths here, one for Thee and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased; hear Him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is risen from the dead."